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For: **CLEAVING OF OLIGOMERIC (METH)ACRYLIC ACID  
IN A LIQUID PHASE UNDER PRESSURE**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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